

**Amendment No. 1 to HB0583**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 781**

**House Bill No. 583\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

39-13-114.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Immediate family" means the spouse, child, grandchild, parent, or sibling of a public servant.

(2) "Public servant" means any public officer or employee of the state or of any political subdivision of the state or of any governmental instrumentality within the state including, but not limited to, law enforcement officers, teachers, principals, professors, instructors, administrators or other employees of a public or private elementary school, secondary school or college or university.

(b) It is an offense for a person to knowingly deliver or convey to a public servant any written, electronic, or verbal communication which contains a threat to take the life of, or to inflict serious bodily harm upon, the public servant, or the immediate family member of any such public servant, if the threat is directly related to the public servant's professional responsibilities and a reasonable person would believe the person making the threat intends to carry out the threat.

(c) A violation of subsection (a) is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.